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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2004, Applicants submit the
following amendments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.